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1. Matzen

- a. Oil which was being produced by K 2 at the rate of 120 tons per day, ceased on 14 June 1949. The bore was shot again, but this was effected at the excessive depth of 1720 meters, and the borehole is now producing 1000 cm of water per hour. The bore will be reshot shortly.
- b. K 3 is producing between 130 and 160 tons per day.
- K 4 has been successfully shot at 1850 meters. Because of lack of piping, however, the bore has been temporarily sealed and no analysis has yet been taken. The pressure is estimated at 93 atmospheres, the same as K 5. In view of this, the pressure will be utilized to drive oil to the pumping station at the Matzen railroad, and no auxiliary pumping unit will be installed.
- d. K 5 (as well as K 4) was bored through four strata. It is intended in both cases to exhaust the strata at maximum depth before exploiting the others. K 5 was reported to have been successfully shot at 2100 meters, but during additional drilling on 15 June 1949, the drill seized at a depth of 1668 meters and broke.
- e. A chisel bit (Kissel) is being used on K 6 and K 7 because of the stony composition of the boring area. K 6 has been bored to 400 meters, and K 7 to 250 meters.
- f. The drilling on K 8 has reached a depth of 1710 meters and will be continued to 1800 meters. Drilling, which proceeds at an average of six meters per hour, passed through an oil stratum which will be exploited at 1450 meters. Piping for the K 8 borehole has arrived, and it was hoped to install it by the end of June 1949.
- g. The derrick from K 3 has been dismantled and erected again on K 10, a new bore near Ollendorf.

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- h. The building of the projected pipeline from Matzen to Bockfleiss has been started by the Bau-und Montageabteilung.
- i. Fire precautions consist of two foam fire extinguishers of ten liter capacity per borehole.
- j. The following equipment is found at the storage tanks: one foam motor pump of 300 liters capacity, and six foam fire extinguishers of ten liters capacity.
- k. The loading stations each have four foam fire extinguishers of ten liters capacity.

2. Mühlberg

- a. Production of the Mühlberg field has been raised by six tons per day, and three new borings have been initiated.
  - b. The headquarters of the boring firm Rumpel are being moved to Matzen from Mühlberg.
  - c. It is reported that 120 workers were transferred from this area to Matzen, and that an additional 90 were expected to leave before the end of June 1949.
- 3. DEA I, DEA II, and ITAG deliver approximately 2225 tons\* of crude oil daily to the Neusiedl pumping station.
  - 4. EPG is producing a total of 30-45 tons per day.
  - 5. It is hoped that the new bore in Reyersdorf will produce gas for Vienna and Günsersdorf.
  - 6. At the beginning of June 1949, eight carloads of seamless piping (the equivalent of 14,000 meters) arrived in Neusiedl from Moravska Ostrava, from the Vitkovice foundries. The piping was immediately taken by road convoy to Matzen. As part of the consignment consists of Soviet pipe with 6 and 8 threads, it will be necessary to do some recutting to the standard size.

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\* Comment. [redacted] a total daily delivery of 220 tons from DEA I, DEA II and ITAG was in error.

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